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Airport Expenditures

It is about time that our local authorities were asking where Charlottetown interests stand in connection with the new coast-to-coast air service which is taking form under the auspices of the Department of Transport and the Canadian National Railways.

It may be argued that we already have air communication with Montreal which will be on the new Trans-Canada Air Lines route. But this is not the point. The point is that the new service will be subsidized by moneys appropriated by Parliament.

Through-out the present summer and fall, it is stated, work will be in progress on communication radio ground stations, hangars, etc. The Department of Transport is rushing to completion route lighting, emergency field lighting, airport lighting, weather reporting facilities, radio range stations, etc.

Some time ago, it was announced that Summerside had received an offer of a federal grant of \$7,000 in connection with its municipal airport. The Summerside Liberal press also states, on the authority of Mr. A. E. MacLean, M.P., that the Dominion Government engineers have found Summerside harbor acceptable as a sea-plane base for trans-Atlantic planes, and that an initial grant of \$400 has been made by the Government.

What have our Queens County representatives been doing to keep Charlottetown, the provincial capital, on the map as an air centre. This is a matter which, in view of the progress being made elsewhere—and particularly in view of the progress reportedly being made at Summerside—should give rise to some serious thought.

The Lobster Fisheries

The lobster fishing grounds of the Maritime Provinces have been told the crustaceans are being depleted. The United States Bureau of Fisheries, according to a survey of the Atlantic Coast lobster fishing, find similar circumstances existing. Dealing with the Bureau's finding, the New York Times has this to say: "If more efficacious means of preserving the breed are not found the lobster's future is dark."

Ontario Safety Campaign

In the Province of Ontario a new campaign has just been launched with the aim of cutting the number of highway accidents. Prominent

in this campaign is a series of advertisements being published in the newspapers of that Province. The first advertisement in this series featured a large photograph of a smashed car, a man gravely injured or dying, lying at full length beside the car, being bandaged by a doctor, while two women stand by in anxiety.

It is not the first occasion on which such methods have been employed in efforts to cut down the serious toll of dead and wounded in automobile accidents. The photographs of actual accidents have been reproduced. Wrecked cars have been mounted on display near the scene of smashes. Literature such as the famous "And Sudden Death" giving full details of the agony and suffering such accidents can cause has been widely circulated. But still the loss goes on. It was pointed out, in launching this latest Ontario campaign, that 546 lives were lost in motor vehicle accidents in that Province last year, and that this year, if the figures for seven months are maintained, the total will reach 800 killed and 14,000 injured.

Editorial Notes

Mr. J. L. Baird, inventor of television, was born this date, 1888.

After Prime Minister King is done attempting to straighten out Premier Aberhart, he will have to take Premier Hepburn in hand.

It may be recalled that the delegates to the Imperial Conference intimated they were to take a holiday to recuperate shortly after their return to Ottawa. Alas, for the Prime Minister and the Minister of Finance, Premier Aberhart has upset their apple-cart, and there will be no further vacation for them.

Premier Aberhart has lost his attorney-general, Hon. John W. Huggill, K.C., the fourth member of his Cabinet to get out while the going is good. No explanation is offered except that Mr. Aberhart called for his resignation which was forthcoming. Evidently, while a Social Creditor according to Douglas, Mr. Huggill is not a Social Creditor according to Aberhart.

Among recent deaths notices are those of Sir Edward Davison, who represented the Colonies at the Ottawa Conference, and Lady Beerholm Tree the distinguished actress, and widow of Sir Herbert. Sir Edward belonged to an old British Guiana family, the Davisons of Berbice being household words there for a century. Lady Tree, besides being a Shakespearean actress of the front rank, won undying fame through earning for the S. A. War Fund in three weeks about \$9,000 by reciting Kipling's "The Absent Minded Beggar."

It is now reported that the Federal-Provincial Finance Commission is to be presided over by the Hon. Newton W. Rowell, Chief Justice of Ontario. The other two members are said to be an eminent eastern jurist (which would indicate Quebec by the present-day interpretation of the term eastern) and a prominent western publicist—whatever that means. Evidently the Prime Minister's search for an independent Englishman as chairman failed; after the way the report of Sir Andrew Rae Duncan has been mishandled, we can readily understand that equally eminent qualified jurists would hesitate to place their services at the disposal of Mr. King.

Sir Thomas Beecham the famous conductor has an imitator in Sir Adrian Boult as a scolder of late comers. At the Eisteddfod in Montgomeryshire the other day he rebuked them as follows: "A few of you have ruined one of Mendelssohn's finest songs by your untimely intrusion," halting a duet during the performance of "Elijah." Sir Adrian was conducting the Montgomeryshire County Choir of 500 with an orchestra of 50. After the interruption he asked the singers to render the duet again. A conductor of the British Symphony Orchestra, Boult was knighted in the last New Year's honors list.

"Money makes money" is an aphorism and nothing more to most of us, but it is a reality to Big Interests. An accounting made public in the New York Surrogate's court reveals how a net estate of \$50,000,000, left by William Rockefeller in 1932, is growing in capital value at the rate of \$1,000,000 a year, for the benefit of his infant and unborn great-grandchildren, who are to be the first to divide it. It is the first public accounting of a trusteeship, which has been executed for fifteen years under the private supervision of his four children and fourteen grandchildren, to whom John R. Rockefeller's brother gave the right to enjoy the interest on this accumulating wealth during their lifetimes, without touching the principal. While the principal is growing at the rate of a million a year, William's four children and fourteen grandchildren have been dividing among themselves an additional three-quarter million of annual interest.

A raid by 2,000 Canadians campaign in Woodcote Park, Surrey, on Epsom police station just after the war is recalled by the death of Inspector Charlie Pawley. He was in charge of the defending force of 14 officers. The trouble arose after two Canadians had been arrested for disorderly conduct. Several Canadians sought unsuccessfully to rescue their countrymen. The whole camp was promptly turned out by a drummer boy's bugle call and marched to Epsom, where they bombarded the police station with all sorts of missiles and threw lighted papers through broken windows. Inspector Pawley ordered a baton charge by his little party, clearing the Canadians from the yard. It is recounted that the Canadians then gave up the attack and returned to camp. In the melee Police Sergeant Green received a fractured skull and died the following day. Nine Canadians were arrested and six were sentenced to one year in prison by the late Lord Darling at Guildford Assizes.

NOTES BY THE WAY

There was no sort of common ground between the two communions (Arbians and Jews). The one was pre-dominantly Asiatic in character, the other pre-dominantly European. They differed in religion and language, in cultural and social life, in ways of thought and conduct, and, above all, in national aspirations. It was in vain that the Jews brought economic prosperity to a land sunk in poverty, for that only accentuated the strife. The Jews, the Arab, the Mandatory Power, no doubt all made mistakes, but fundamentally all three of them were victims of uncontrollable circumstances. Nor the Commission hold out any hope that Time, the great healer, can, under the existing regime, heal anything in Palestine. Repeated attempts to conciliate either race have only increased the trouble, there is deadlock now, and there is no possibility of the deadlock in the future.—London Morning Post.

A farmer walked into a general store and, no male clerk being visible, went up to a lady clerk and asked: "Have you any shors?" "Why, yes," replied the lady, "do you want them for ladies or for men?" The farmer stared at her for a moment. "Well," he drawled, "I wanted them for my pigs!"

Hon. Stuart Garson, Manitoba's provincial treasurer, says the province must find larger fields of taxation or there will have to be drastic curtailment of social services. The former alternative is calculated to add to the apprehension of the taxpayer. The overburdened citizen who works day in and day out and contributes an ever-increasing portion of their earnings in taxes are beginning to wonder if in time they will be turned into a class of bondsmen, the Helots of old, who were enslaved by the Spartans. Some of the preachers of the larger life seem to forget that those who produce should also share in it.—Montreal Gazette.

"The Oriental Economist," published in Tokyo, assesses as that Japan; has no territorial ambitions. In order to elevate her living standards to the levels prevailing elsewhere, Japan has in the past resorted to a policy of territorial expansion, says the Economist. But Japan is fully content with the present order of division of the world's land. All it seeks is a chance to trade. Says the Japanese paper: "If freedom of international trade is restored, it is our firm conviction that the tense relations between Japan and the outside world which have existed since 1931, will be relaxed overnight." Some people may have difficulty reconciling this peaceful declaration with Japan's present aggressive maneuvers on the continent of Asia. But it points in the direction of a great truth; that the territorial ambitions of the "have-not" nations will tend to evaporate as prosperity is produced in the world by freer international intercourse in the fields of trade and finance.—Ex.

A gathering of German-Canadians at Regina the other day passed a resolution demanding equality and respect, not merely toleration. The swastika banner was on the platform alongside the Union Jack, there were shouts of "Heil, Hitler." Nazi salutes were given and national songs were sung. There is no need for Germans to pass resolutions for equality and respect. That Jews within themselves. All they have to do is to live according to Canadian standards and ideals. Nothing else is required of any foreigner who wishes to be treated with equality and respect. They must adapt themselves to their new environment. They too, must show tolerance towards others. If there are any Jews in Regina—and no doubt there are—the Germans must exhibit the same tolerance towards them that the people of Canada do.—St. Thomas Times Journal.

Public opinion in the United States confronted by the menace of totalitarian states in Europe is fast swinging to a realization that the two great Anglo-Saxon democracies will have to stand or fall together. Official evidence of general recognition across the border that Great Britain is fighting the cause of democracy against dictatorships was provided by the recent statement of the American ambassador in London in which he said: "Despots have forced America and Britain to undertake rearmament and, having undertaken it, must necessarily win the armament race."—Calgary Herald.

So that old popinjay, now in his dotage, Lucidoroff, says the British Empire is a state of decay and is disintegrating. Sure, he has not forgotten what he termed "the blackest day in the history of the German army," when the Canadians advanced so far on the Western front, August 8, 1918, that they captured bayonets and all their booty of marks, just as the printing press.—St. Catherine's Standard.

To the graduating class of the high school at Charleston, Miss., the Rev. J. Murray Taylor of Memphis, spoke on the subject of "If You Would Succeed." He included in his remarks a formula for success so compact that some of the twenty-three boys and girls to whom he particularly addressed his words will be bound to remember it. He said, as the Mississippi Sun recorded his talk: Stand up to be seen, speak up to be heard and shut up to be appreciated. Few graduation speakers manage to put in a few words the importance of visibility, audibility and silence.—New York Sun.

"Increased incomes depend on increased production. The only way we can raise wages without raising costs is by increasing production. The only way that each of us can have more is if we produce more to go around. This is a simple fact that has been generally overlooked. We've been so busy squabbling over how the pie is to be divided that we've failed to see that the pie is too small to begin with. Before we can each have a bigger slice, we must make the whole pie bigger. We must produce more—more goods, more services, more housing, more transportation—before we can expect to live better."—Canadian Banker.

PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions of correspondents.

HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE

Sir,—That a feeling of disquiet exists among farmers in this province as to the ultimate status of the Hungarian partridge is evidenced by the queries put to the writer during his tour of duties which takes in all sections of the province from East Point to West Cape.

Introduced here 10 years ago they have increased and spread to such an extent that very few persons have the least idea as to their present numbers in this province. A reliable estimate placed the number of birds this spring in Queens County alone in excess of thirty thousand. This deduction was reached by using the number of school districts in Queens County as a basis. In several of the number was known to be in excess of 300. Time of census this month of March.

Fears were expressed at the beginning of this present breeding season that the continued wet spell would have a detrimental effect on the hatch. That these fears were groundless is shown by the following: A farmer at Vernon River reported a little over a week ago that he had 5 covies on his farm averaging from 20 to 22 birds each. A few days later a farmer from Long Creek was asked how the birds were coming in his locality, replied: "There's over 100 on my place; I have 3 large covies in my back field, besides other covies scattered over the farm." Another at Marshfield said: "Lots of them here. There's a flock of 26 in my potato field. There were 27 but the horse stepped on one yesterday while I was horse-hoeing and now there is only 26." I could go on indefinitely. Suffice to say that there are hundreds of farms with in excess of 100 Hungarians in their environs. It is generally conceded that they multiply themselves by six in a single year, and that allows for losses caused by predators, weather, telephone wires, trains and other causes.

Farmers argue that they produce two broods in a season. I am inclined to believe that there is some truth in their assertion. This year I saw broods that were flying on July 1st (they are able to fly at approx 3 weeks of age) and three days ago I was shown a nest of 10 eggs that the mother bird was incubating, to be exact Saturday, August 7th was the date I saw the nest. Observers claim that the first setting contains anywhere from 18 to 26 eggs, while the second runs from 10 to 12.

They have plenty of good qualities, their weed seed eating activities being one of them, besides the presence of the covies enlightens the countryside and gives the nature lover as well as the sportsman a thrill. However, they have developed one trait that is not so good, that is burrowing into stocks of grain during the winter. No special complaint has been made over the amount of grain they eat, but when they choose the top of the stack as a base for operations the stack begins to take in water. Last winter one farmer at Orwell complained that he lost fully one third of a stack of wheat from the aforementioned cause. Slight damage is also reported to the stacks as well as standing grain.

Recently complaints have come in that these birds are responsible for the spread of mustard, or wild turnip, and apparently with good foundation. In this last instance it is felt that the good they do in destroying weeds overbalances any harm they do in carrying them to other localities that are free from certain species. Aside from the reaction among the farmers to the venture, from a sportsman's viewpoint the introduction has been a phenomenal success. From a small beginning at the old Stone Quarry on the Mount Edward Road near Charlottetown in the fall of 1927 they have established themselves in the province as far west as Summerside and south and east to Murray Harbour and the Souris Line Road.

In Queens County the main concentration exists and practically every farm in this particular county can boast at least one covey at the present time, and the season's hatch still not completed. The estimate for Queens County this fall, using the approx. number of farms in the different school districts and the average number of birds in each, is approximately one

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hundred and fifty thousand with the total for the province running into a quarter of a million birds.

At the present rate of increase, barring a succession of exceptionally severe winters, or an epidemic which the blood flows through the lungs is a complete result of the oxygen demands of the body and the ability of heart and blood vessels to drive the blood to meet these demands.

The calcium gluconate solution is injected into a vein in the arm and the patient is instructed to signal when he first feels the bitter taste on his tongue.

It is evident that the Department of Agriculture intend to pursue their policy of rigid protection, and in this connection it might be well for them to purchase a few thousand tarpaulins of a size sufficient to cover the top of a grain stack, for after the first deep snowfall the farmers will need plenty of them.

Maybe the writer has the situation figured out all wrong, but he has a hunch just the same that a storm is going to break before too long, and after it has blown over the Hungarian partridge will have been relegated to the status of common pest. Am I right, or am I wrong? Time will tell.

SPORTSMAN.

That Body of Hours

By James W. Barton, M.D.

TESTING THE RATE OF SPEED OF THE CIRCULATION OF THE BLOOD

It is often very important that the physician should know whether the rate of the circulation of the blood is normal, too rapid, or too slow.

For instance in an overactive thyroid the blood will travel faster because all the body processes work faster when there is more thyroid juice present in the blood. When there is less than the normal amount of thyroid juice being manufactured the rate of the circulation of the blood is slower than normal as are all the body processes.

Similarly it has been found that when the heart is failing the rate at which the blood travels will be slower. Should rest be given in treating the failing heart and the circulation rate becomes faster, the physician will thus know that the heart is gaining or recovering some of its reserve power.

Some months ago Dr. Samuel J. Goldberg, Philadelphia, in the American Journal of Medical Science suggested the use of calcium gluconate in testing the circulation rate of the blood. The calcium gluconate has no toxic or poisonous effect and cannot cause

pain or any destruction of tissue. The arm-to-tongue circulation time, a relative index of the rate of blood flow through the lungs, is a useful test of the efficiency of the circulation. The speed with which the blood flows through the lungs is a complete result of the oxygen demands of the body and the ability of heart and blood vessels to drive the blood to meet these demands.

The calcium gluconate solution is injected into a vein in the arm and the patient is instructed to signal when he first feels the bitter taste on his tongue.

"The time required by the blood to go from arm to tongue, in 60 normal individuals averaged 11-1-2 seconds. In 17 patients with an overactive thyroid the time was about 10 seconds, whereas when there was not enough thyroid juice being made the time was about 20 seconds."

"Eleven patients with poor muscular fatigue and shortness of breath on exertion (and yet had no physical signs of heart failure) had a circulation time of nearly 10 seconds."

You can thus see how this simple arm-to-tongue test can be of great help in finding out the exact condition of the patient in heart, thyroid and other ailments.

PROVINCIAL DOG TAX

Sub-section (d) of Section 13 of the Act respecting dogs, reads as follows:

"Any person not paying the tax as provided in the preceding sub-sections shall be liable to a penalty of not more than ten dollars and in default to be imprisoned for a period not exceeding ten days."

Having given the people ample time and opportunity to pay this tax, as we wish to avoid any unpleasantness in connection with the matter, we have decided now, that on the 20th day of August, all arrears in dog taxes will be handed in to the Clerk of the Court for collection.

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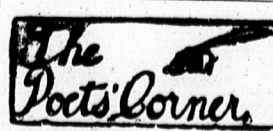
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AT THE AQUARIUM

Serene the silver fishes glide Stern-lipped, and pale, and wonder-eyed! As through the aged deeps of ocean, They glide with wavy motion! They have no pathway where they go, They flow like water to and fro, They watch with never winking eyes, They watch with staring, cold surprise, The level people in the air. The people peering, peering there; They also wander to and fro, And know not why or where they go.

Yet have a wonder in their eyes, Sometimes a pale and cold surprise, More services, more housing, more transportation—before we can expect to live better.—Canadian Banker.